## **Remarks/Arguments:**

Applicant submits that the foregoing amendments were made to bring an originally filed European application into compliance with U.S. practice (e.g., changes in certain spellings and elimination of improper multiple dependencies). Applicant submits that no new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments and that all claims are allowable as written. Applicant respectfully requests early favorable action by the Examiner. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with the Applicant's attorney would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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